

# **ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL** **HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL**

## **SUMMARY FOR 04-06-09 THROUGH 05-03-09**

This report covers the activities of week 15 through week 18. We continue to pursue our goal of improving the quality of life in the BID areas. We also continue to nurture the many relationships we have formed with groups and individuals that share the same goal of improving the quality of life in our area. To this end we have attended various meetings, and participated in the orientation of 15 new LAPD Officers that started last week. We also had LAPD Detectives and Will Rivera attend our briefings and provide training for our Officers during this period. We continue our outreach efforts with the homeless and coordinate with the various agencies involved in this work.

We have noticed a new trend involving calls for service that promises to have a serious impact on our future deployment plans. At this time in 2007 we handled 383 calls for service. At this time in 2008 the total was 680 calls. This year to date we have handled 1154 calls. We have every expectation that this trend will continue. We find that we even receive a significant number of calls from outside of the BID areas. This is clearly a topic for future discussion.

### **EVENTS OF INTEREST:**

On 04-11-09, our Officers did a business check at Los Balcones Del Peru located at 1360 Vine. Manager Jorge complained that he had problems with patients that would walk away from the nearby Hospital and then bother his customers. Many of the patients seemed to be mentally unstable.

Our Officers then went to the Hollywood Community hospital and spoke to Nursing Supervisor Laurie. They told her about the complaints. She said that walk-always were indeed a big problem. She said the patients involved were from the 4<sup>TH</sup> floor PsychWard which is a non secure setting. She said she would greatly appreciate the help of the BID Security and area businesses in recovering patients that have wandered off.

Our Officers then went back to Las Balcones and advised them. They also contacted the Tarot Card reading Shop at 1358 Vine, Jos Jos Market at 1356 Vine, and the Kentucky Fried Chicken located at 1357 Vine. We advised them all of who to contact regarding this situation. This is an example of our efforts to be problem solvers in the BID areas.

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## **MEETINGS ATTENDED:**

- 1) 04-07-09 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 2) 04-09-09 Joint Security Committee Meeting
- 3) 04-09-09 H&H Retail Meeting
- 4) 04-10-09 Training Meeting with LAPD Detectives
- 5) 04-13-09 LA Film School Meeting
- 6) 04-21-09 BID Consortium
  
- 7) 04-24-09 City Attorney Briefing Training
- 8) 04-27-09 LAPD new Officer Orientation
- 9) 04-28-09 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 10) 04-30-09 YIMBY Connect Day Meeting
- 11) 04-30-09 H&H Retail Meeting

## **OUTREACH:**

On 04-20-09, our Officers contacted Vince lying on the sidewalk in front of the McDonalds located at 6733 Hollywood Blvd. He said he was sick and had been vomiting all night. We made calls to PATH and Get Love, but received no response. Vince refused treatment by Paramedics. We referred him to the free clinic located at Sunset and Gower.

On 04-23-09, our Officers found the elderly Liudmisa on the ground at 6332 Hollywood Blvd. She had almost been hit by a car. She became frightened and fell striking her head. We called Paramedics who responded and treated her injuries.

On 04-24-09, our Officers met Peter in the parking lot located at 1731 Cahuenga. He was homeless and had set up bedding across two parking spaces. We offered to connect him with PATH, but he declined the offer. He further said that he was a secret agent/astronaut on a secret mission to align the moons of earth. He would not agree to enter a shelter, but he did compromise and agreed to relocate his mission to a safer spot.

On 04-27-09, our Officers found James sleeping in the doorway of Mel's Diner located at 1650 Highland. James is a long time homeless person that we have tried to assist in the past. James was bleeding from the head, and his clothes and sleeping bag were covered in blood. He said that he was attacked the previous night by three suspects that hit him with a brick.

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The Officers saw that he had a large gash on the back of his head. We called Paramedics, but he refused treatment. We then called PATH and they agreed to respond. Our Officers spent several hours convincing James to accept help. Rudy Salinas from PATH took James to the City of Angels Hospital and then to a shelter. Rudy later told me that his entire team was grateful for our Officers actions, as James would not have accepted their help without our intervention. He was particularly impressed with the amount of time that was devoted to this effort.

#### **ENFORCEMENT:**

Attached are the year-to-date statistics for both BIDS. These results reflect the first 18 weeks of 2008.

In the Hollywood BID, we have made a total of 330 arrests. Two hundred and twenty three were for drinking in public, 31 for urinating in public, 36 for misdemeanor drugs, 5 for trespass, 1 for illegal vending, 2 for battery, 2 for blocking the sidewalk, 3 for theft, 1 for vandalism, 8 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 18 for felonies. We also made 607 homeless referrals, assisted 129 agencies, provided extra patrol to 1000 locations, assisted 1180 citizens, handled 793 radio calls for service and made 765 business contacts.

In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 168 arrests. One hundred and three were for drinking in public, 29 for urinating in public, 6 for drugs, 4 for trespass, 2 for blocking the sidewalk, 1 for theft, 1 for vandalism, 9 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 13 for felonies. We also made 364 homeless referrals, assisted 47 agencies, provided extra patrol to 580 locations, assisted 1069 citizens, handled 361 radio calls for service, and made 268 business contacts.

The combined totals for both BIDS are 498 arrests. Three hundred and twenty six for drinking in public, 60 for urinating in public, 42 for misdemeanor drugs, 9 for trespass, 1 for illegal vending, 2 for battery, 4 for blocking the sidewalk, 4 for theft, 2 for vandalism, 17 for miscellaneous misdemeanors and 31 for various felonies. We also made a combined total of 971 homeless referrals, assisted 176 agencies, provided extra patrol to 1580 locations, assisted 2249 citizens, handled 1154 radio calls for service, and made 1033 business contacts.

#### **NOTED ARRESTS:**

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On 04-06-09, we received a radio call from Ray. He said that he had been the victim of a grand theft (felony) and the suspects were now in front of the library at 1623 Ivar. After confirming the crime, our Officers arrested Anthony AKA 'Pockets' and Leland. We then called LAPD who responded and took custody of the suspects. We were told that 'Pockets' was a possible suspect in a recent robbery.

On 04-08-09, we received call from Fadi who works at the Los Angeles Croissant located at 6541 Hollywood Blvd. He said a man entered the store. He asked if he could help him and the man yelled "F you" and then punched him in the stomach. The suspect then left the location. The victim followed on foot and called us. We were able to arrest the suspect for assault and turn him over to the LAPD.

On 04-10-09, we received a call from Danna at Razor Rock located at 6711 Hollywood Blvd. She said a suspect had just stolen items and left the location. Our Officers located the suspect, Alberto, at the Kodak Theater. The victim was brought to the location and identified the suspect who was then arrested for robbery.

On 04-14-09, our Officers arrested Anthony for urinating in public at 1513 ½ Wilcox. Upon arrival at the LAPD Station, they learned that he had two outstanding felony no bail warrants. Anthony was very angry and made threats against Officer Melvin.

On 04-21-09, Amber came into our office during briefing. She said she had been raped two weeks prior and that she had just seen the suspect pass by. We confirmed that a rape report was on file with the LAPD and we loaded Amber into one of our vehicles and set out looking for the suspect. Our team spotted the suspect walking southbound on La Brea from Hollywood Blvd. Amber positively identified the suspect.

We followed the suspect with 3 of our teams and a T-3. We also called LAPD. The suspect went westbound on Sunset Blvd. LAPD arrived with 5 units and suspect Myrck was arrested for rape.

On 04-25-09, our Officers were flagged down by several pedestrians and motorists at 5849 Hollywood Blvd. They said they had been hit by bottles thrown by a man on the second floor balcony. Our Officers spotted Richard on the balcony throwing bottles. We contained the suspect and called LAPD who responded and arrested him for felony assault.

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On 04-24-09, our Officers arrested Phillip for drinking in public at 6230 Sunset Blvd. They then learned that he had an outstanding felony no bail warrant for sales of marijuana.

On 04-27-09, we arrested Noble for possession of less than an ounce of marijuana. We then learned that he had an outstanding felony warrant.

On 05-01-09, we received a call from Security Guard Pritito of the Grauman's Chinese Theater located at 6825 Hollywood Blvd. He said that a suspect was bothering children and then asked a child's mother for sex when she asked him to leave her child alone. We responded, but were unable to locate the victims. We did escort the suspect from the property and conducted surveillance on him until he left the area.

On 05-02-09, our Officers arrested Adbiraheed for drinking in public at Hollywood and Bronson. We then learned that he was listed on a terrorist watch list. He was not wanted at this time and we forwarded the information to the appropriate authorities.

### **DEPLOYMENT:**

We have experimented with several different deployment plans during this period. For most of the period we covered from 6:00 A.M. until 10:00 P.M. in the Hollywood BID and 6:00 A.M. until 8:00 P.M. in the Sunset BID. Our traditional hours prior to this were to cover from 6:00 A.M. until 8:00 P.M. We also stayed out until 3:00 A.M. on a Friday night.

We found that we were much less effective in addressing quality of life issues at the later hours. It was difficult for us to provide high visibility and effective patrol as the night got later. We will continue to adapt and change hours and tactics to address issues as they occur.

### **TRAINING UPDATE:**

During this period, our Officers received live fire training at our Burbank Firing range. They received training in briefing by LAPD Detective Conboy regarding report writing and arrest procedures. He also shared information regarding wanted Burglary suspects. We also had training in briefing by Will Rivera of the City Attorney's Office. This was a legal update and question and answer session. The Officers also received training in the area of sexual harassment.

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